

Exemplary Substance Abuse Prevention Awards

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Program Description:

Substance abuse prevention programs, individuals and groups working in the prevention field, and media partners who support prevention, are nominated through an application process to be considered for Exemplary Awards. A review committee evaluates and selects one award nomination in each of six categories. Three categories are specific to recognize youth accomplishments. Members of the committee also nominate and select additional awardees for their special contributions to the field. Lieutenant Governor Brad Owen honored five awardees at the 2009 Washington State Prevention Summit in Yakima. The state awards process is designed to coordinate with the existing national awards process, with the goal of identifying Exemplary Washington State Programs that could be encouraged to apply at the national level.

What Populations are Served/ Who is Eligible for These Services?

Professionals, volunteers, youth, and groups/coalitions working in the substance abuse prevention field in Washington State, their programs, and media partners who support prevention are eligible.

How Many People are Served During the Biennium?

A total of twelve awards were presented in the 2007-09 Biennium. Of which, one was for lifetime achievement and six were youth awards for exemplary leadership, exemplary volunteerism, or exemplary project.

What is the Biennial Funding Amount and Source(s)?

The awards program is supported by \$2,000 of federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funds biennially.

What would be the Impact if this Program was No Longer Available?

The end of the program would mean the loss of an important opportunity to recognize and encourage excellence in the prevention field.

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What Agencies Collaborate with DBHR to Deliver These Services?

The Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery collaborates with the Lieutenant Governor's Office, the Citizen's Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction, Department of Health, Department of Commerce, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, Washington Traffic Safety Commission, Washington Prevention Specialist Certification Board, and Lewis County Community Mobilization to cosponsor the awards process.

What are Sources for Program Data or More Information?

For more information about the National Exemplary Substance Abuse Prevention Program Awards, contact:

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